The Faculty Senate was called to order by the Chair, Frances McSweeney, on Thursday, September 28, 2000, in FSHN, T101 at 3:30 p.m. Fifty-one (51) members were present, twenty-four (24) members were absent with seven (7) vacancies. Five non-voting members were present.

Minutes of April 13, 2000 meeting were approved as circulated.

Announcements (Information Items).

1. Faculty Senate officers met with the Provost on June 15, June 29, July 26, and August 26, 2000.

2. Faculty Senate officers met with Ken Alhadeff, President of the Board of Regents on September 11, 2000.

3. Faculty Senate officers met with President Rawlins on July 6, 2000.

4. Responses from the Provosts on Faculty Senate actions taken on October 28, November 18, and December 9, 1999; January 27, February 10 and 24, March 9 and 30 and April 13, 2000 are in Exhibit B as follows:

May 16, 2000

TO: Thomas Brigham
    Executive Secretary
FROM: Rom J. Markin
      Interim Provost
SUBJECT: Faculty Senate Actions for Fall Semester 1999

The Faculty Senate December 9, 1999, meeting:

1. The recommendation from the Faculty Senate Steering Committee for a minor change to the Intellectual Property Document is approved.
2. The recommendation from Graduate Studies Committee for Graduate Major Change Bulletin #4 is approved.
3. The recommendation from Academic Affairs Committee for Undergraduate and Professional Major Change Bulletin #5 & #6 is approved.
4. The recommendation from Faculty Affairs Committee for a revision to the New Faculty Manual page 15 of Section III stopping the Tenure Clock is approved.

The Faculty Senate November 18, 1999, meeting:

1. The recommendation from Graduate Studies Committee for Graduate Major Change Bulletins #2 and 3 is approved.
2. The recommendation for Graduate Studies Committee for a Certificate in Aging is approved.
3. The recommendation from Academic Affairs Committee for Undergraduate and Professional Major Change Bulletin #3 and 4 is approved.
4. The recommendation from Organization and Structure Committee for the Composition and Tenure of the Academic Program Review Committee is approved.
5. The recommendation from Organization and Structure Committee for the Composition Change to the Research and Arts Committee is approved.

Faculty Senate October 28, 1999, meeting:

1. The recommendation from Faculty Affairs Committee for Intellectual Property Policy is approved.
2. The recommendation from Faculty Affairs Committee for the Faculty Titles Document is approved.

The Faculty Senate October 7, 1999, meeting:

1. The recommendation from Faculty Affairs Committee for Undergraduate and Professional Major change Bulletin #1 is approved.

cc: D. Baker     D. Guzman     S. Savage     A. Jamison
    K. DePauw     J. Sherman     S. Smith     G. Betas
    G. Royer     L. Purce     G. Hedge

August 1, 2000

TO: Thomas Brigham  
    Executive Secretary
FROM: Ronald H. Hopkins  
    Interim Provost
SUBJECT: Faculty Senate Action Spring Semester 2000

Faculty Senate January 27, 2000, meeting:

1. The recommendation from the Graduate Studies Committee for the MS in Agriculture statewide is approved.

Faculty Senate February 10, 2000 meeting:

1. The recommendation from the Academic Affairs Committee for a Joint Degree BA in Hotel and Restaurant Administration with Montana State University is approved.
2. The recommendation from the Graduate Studies Committee for Graduate Major Change Bulletin #5 is noted.
3. The recommendation from the Graduate Studies Committee for the WSU-EWU School Psychology Certification Program is noted.
4. The recommendation from the Graduate Studies Committee for the Master in Teaching Program at WSU is approved.
Faculty Senate February 24, 2000 meeting:

1. The recommendation from the Academic Affairs Committee for Undergraduate and Professional Major Change Bulletin #7 & 8 is approved.
2. The recommendation from the Graduate Studies Committee for Graduate Major Change Bulletin #6 is noted.

Faculty Senate March 9, 2000 meeting:

1. The recommendation from the Academic Affairs Committee for Undergraduate and Professional Major Change Bulletin #9 and Addendum is noted.
2. The recommendation from the Academic Affairs Committee for BA in Hotel and Restaurant Administration at WSU Vancouver is approved.

Faculty Senate March 30, 2000 meeting:

1. The recommendation from the Academic Affairs Committee for Revision of Rule 73a Absences is noted.
2. The recommendation from the Academic Affairs Committee for the BS in Manufacturing Engineering at Vancouver to be extended to Boeing is approved.
3. The recommendation from the Graduate Studies Committee for Graduate Major Change Bulletin #7 is noted.
4. The recommendation from the Organization and Structure Committee for Student Representation on Senate Committees is noted.
5. The recommendation from the Faculty Affairs Committee for Minor Changes to Promotion and Tenure Guidelines is approved.

Faculty Senate April 13, 2000 meeting:

1. The election of the following Faculty Senate officers for 2000-2001 is noted:
   Chair: Frances McSweeney, Professor, Psychology
   Vice Chair: William Cofer, Associate Professor, Civil Engineering
2. The recommendation from the Organization and Structure for Changes to the Faculty Senate Constitution and Bylaws is noted.
3. The recommendation from the Research and Arts Committee for a Center for Precision Agriculture is noted.
4. The recommendation from the Academic Affairs Committee for Undergraduate and Professional Major Change Bulletin #10 is noted.
5. The recommendation from the Academic Affairs Committee for the BA in Education at Tri-Cities is approved.
6. The recommendation from the Academic Affairs Committee for Resident Credit for Study Abroad Students is noted.
7. The recommendation from the Academic Affairs Committee for 2+2 Program BA in Education with Northwest Indian College is approved.
8. The recommendation from the Academic Affairs Committee for the Asynchronous Registered Nurse BSN is approved.
9. The recommendation from the Academic Affairs Committee for the Collaborative Teacher Education Programs in Southwest Washington is approved.
10. The recommendation from the Academic Affairs Committee for the Revision to Rule 6f is noted.

11. The recommendation from the Graduate Studies Committee for a student affairs emphasis within the Ph.D. in Education is approved.

12. The recommendation from the Graduate Studies Committee for Graduate Major Change Bulletin #8 is noted.

cc: K DePauw
    D. Baker
    J. Sherman
    D. Guzman
    G. Royer
    K. Boehmke

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5. Annual reports from Faculty Senate committees are in Exhibit C as follows:

MEMORANDUM

TO:    Peter Burke, Chair
       Faculty Senate
FROM:  Becky Bitter, Registrar's Office
FOR:   Academic Affairs Committee (AAC)
DATE:  20 September 2000
SUBJECT: Academic Affairs Committee Annual Report, 1999-2000

As in past years, the Academic Affairs Committee (AAC) was involved with reviewing university-wide undergraduate academic issues and making recommendations to the Faculty Senate. The matters reviewed by the AAC and forwarded to the Faculty Senate for action this past year fit into three general categories: Revisions to Academic Rules, Policy Issues, and Curricular Changes. The following lists the items forwarded to the Faculty Senate for approval under those general headings.

At the end of the report, please note a listing of those pending items that will be placed on the agenda for the committee's consideration this fall.

Further information about any item discussed by the AAC this past academic year can be found through consulting the AAC minutes, available in the Registrar's Office and in the Senate Office.

In addition to the work of the full committee, individual members represented the AAC on the following Senate committees and AAC subcommittees: Academic Advising and Reinstatement, Admissions, Budget, Catalog, Extended University Affairs, Planning Review, and Senate Steering. These groups generated many of the matters brought before the AAC for action this year.

cc.    AAC members
       M. Bloodsworth
       D. Branson
       D. Guzman
AAC Annual Report, 1999-2000

**Revisions to Academic Rules**
- Rule 73, Absences
- Rule 6(f), Transfer Credit

**Policy Issues**
- Accept Western Governors University Transferable Associate of Arts Degree
- Establish WSU Resident Credit for Education Abroad

**Curricular Changes**
- Asynchronous, Community-Based Education Bachelor of Science for Registered Nursing Students
- Bachelor of Arts in Education, Southwestern Washington through CTEP Bachelor of Arts in Education, Tri-Cities
- Bachelor of Arts in Hotel and Restaurant Administration, Vancouver
- Bachelor of Science in Manufacturing Engineering to Vancouver, at Boeing
- Joint Degree between WSU and Montana State for the BA in Hotel and Restaurant Administration

Undergraduate and Professional Major Curricular Changes as compiled on:
- Undergraduate and Professional Major Curricular Change Bulletin No.2
- Undergraduate and Professional Major Curricular Change Bulletin No.3
- Undergraduate and Professional Major Curricular Change Bulletin No.4
- Undergraduate and Professional Major Curricular Change Bulletin No.5
- Undergraduate and Professional Major Curricular Change Bulletin No.6
- Undergraduate and Professional Major Curricular Change Bulletin No.7
- Undergraduate and Professional Major Curricular Change Bulletin No.8
- Undergraduate and Professional Major Curricular Change Bulletin No.9
- Addenda Nos. 1-2 to Undergraduate and Professional Major Curricular Change Bulletin No.9
- Undergraduate and Professional Major Curricular Change Bulletin No.10

**AAC Pending Business from 1999-2000**
- Undergraduate Certificates
- Student Development or Co-Curricular Transcript

**Faculty Senate Library Committee Annual Report**

The Faculty Senate Library Committee met monthly throughout the year, and concluded with a special session in May. Despite some frustration over being short of members the entire year due to illnesses, professional leaves, and total absence of student participation, the committee focused on several main topics this year. The first was the discussion and approval of the usual course proposals. This year there were eight. Finally, all eight were approved by the committee - however the committee urges that departments remember to include the required Library impact statement in their submissions. Omission of this caused delays in the process this year.

An early proposal, for an EDP course, led to the second major issue of focus for the committee - Library support for distance degree courses in the sciences. The increasing number of these courses is causing concern. No-one is taking responsibility for providing the needed Library resources, despite the push from administration to develop such courses. Horton - FSLC Chair and Baker - Libraries Director met on
September 14 with Provost Bataille, VP for Extended University Affairs Les Purce, and College of Agriculture & Home Economics rep Vicki McCracken. Although both Bataille and Purce were supportive of the Libraries' need for additional librarian staffing to provide the labor-intensive support needed by students taking science-related extended degree offerings, Bataille told Baker she would have to request additional staffing (.5 FTE Science librarian) during the budget process in the spring. Although Bataille said she would look favorably on the request, it would depend on the budget situation. The current likelihood of this support being available is slim. Bataille and Purce also maintained that the Libraries report experiencing fewer walk-in students and more remote access students. They suggested the Libraries look at restructuring current staff to handle this change in emphasis. (Subsequently, Library staff said that in fact the reduction in walk-in traffic is minimal. They are now serving more customers in more ways.) Baker and Horton told the administrators that the FSLC couldn't approve any more extended degree Science programs until a solution is found for Library support -- the time is coming when the Libraries current staff will simply be unable to provide the necessary individualized support that these extended degree students require.

Bataille and Purce made the statement that part of the role of the Faculty Senate Library Committee is to help set priorities for the Libraries and help the Libraries think through projects like restructuring to provide for necessary support. While the committee was already aware of this responsibility, it prompted us to spend a considerable amount of time at subsequent meetings discussing priorities, including satellite libraries and opening hours, electronic journals, collaborative consortiums and other cost-saving efficiencies. We also discussed development opportunities for the Libraries.

Time was spent on renewed vandalism and behavior problems in the Library. FSLC came up with several suggestions for improving the situation which Baker agreed to follow up on.

Finally, the committee was greatly disturbed by the announcement, after our last scheduled meeting, of proposed budget cuts to the Libraries. While the timeline for developing reduction proposals was short, the discussions were held while the committee was still on campus. The committee expressed their frustration to Baker that after all the discussion there had been of priorities in general, when it came to the actual need for cuts the FSLC was not involved. The committee feels that their inclusion in the discussions would have been appropriate and could have in some ways sheltered the Library Council from some of the subsequent criticism. As it was, Borton called an emergency session for those who were still on campus at which Baker explained the proposal. There was considerable discussion of the lack of alternatives if indeed the cuts were enforced. The committee agreed that it did make sense to include the scheduled increase in minimum wage in the calculations and proposal. However, the committee believes that the Libraries must be sheltered from these cuts, as recommended by the University Accreditation Report. FSLC sent a strongly worded letter to Provost Markin urging him to reconsider the Libraries budget reduction since no university can call itself first rate, nor attract increased numbers of students as WSU plans to do, without a first rate, well supported Library system.

Heather Streets agreed to chair FSLC next year.

Sally Horton
FSLC Chair, June 2000
May 8, 2000

Memorandum

To: Faculty Senate
From: Sonja Moseley, Chair
Academic Advising and Reinstatement Subcommittee (AARS)
Re: Summary of Activities

The AARS met three times during the academic year of 99/00. A chair, Sonja Moseley, for the committee was elected for the AY 99/00 during its second meeting in April. During the last and third meeting a chair for the AY 00/01 was elected. The position of the chair for the AY 00/01 will be shared between Bobbi Thomas, Academic Advisor EDP, and Sonja Moseley, SALC.

The committee considered the following tentative agenda for the upcoming academic year:

- To consider AARS representation on a task force for Assessment, Accreditation, and Accountability
- To revisit the reinstatement process
- To recruit faculty to the Reinstatement Council
- To convene a task force on Advising

The committee will work closely with the Student Advising and Learning Center, the Academic Advising Information System (AAIS), Colleges and Administrators.

Memorandum

To: Thomas Brigham, Executive Secretary, Faculty Senate
From: R. J. Miller (Chair, Research and Arts Committee)
Date: May 15, 2000
Re: Research and Arts Committee 1999-2000 Annual Report

Committee Membership (1999-2000)
Merry Armstrong, College of Nursing
Brian McNeill, College of Education
Inge Eriks, College of Veterinary Medicine
R. J. Miller, College of Liberal Arts
Raphael Guillory, GPSA Representative
Tina Minor, GPSA Representative
Peter Larson, College of Sciences
George Mount, College of Engineering
Linda Massey, College of Agriculture and Home Economics
Richard Okita, College of Pharmacy
Richard Sias, College of Business and Economics

The Research and Arts Committee served as the lead committee on the following activities during the 1999-2000 academic year.
1. **Actions Sent to the Faculty Senate**
   (1) The proposal for the Center for Precision Agricultural Systems was approved by the Faculty Senate on April 13, 2000.
   (2) The request to change the name of the Center for Teaching and Learning to the Center for Teaching, Learning and Technology was approved on February 14, 2000 and presented as an information item at the February 24, 2000 Faculty Senate meeting.

2. **Actions Sent to the Vice Provost for Research**
   (1) The guidelines and application for the first annual competition of the New Faculty Seed Grant Program was approved on December 6, 1999. The committee dedicated the Fall 1999 semester meetings to identifying the program's purpose, eligibility, funding parameters, application criteria, review process, and designing the application packet. The call for proposals was made late December, with a March 1 deadline, a June 1 announcement of awards and a July, 2000 start date. Thirty-one proposals were reviewed by five review panels, each panel headed by a member of the Research and Arts Committee. Nine were recommended for funding and approved by G. Hedge for a total of $65,723.

3. **Ongoing Activities**
   (1) Planning Review Committee: P. Larson served as the Research and Arts representative on this committee.
   (2) Natural Resource Conservation Endowment Competition: Kristopher Lah, one of two 1999 awardees, was unable to begin his study and resigned his award. Mark Minton, the second awardee, completed his proposed study. Nine proposals were reviewed for the 2000 competition, with subsequent awards of $1200 made to Mark Minton (renewal), Brandon Pratt, and Robert Pattison, all from the School of Biological Sciences.

4. **Discussions**
   (1) Review of Existing Organized Research Units (ORUs): Preliminary discussions resulted in the decision to initiate a self-review process for selected ORUs. It was agreed that this process would apply only to those ORUs approved by the Faculty Senate. A list of these units will be narrowed down this summer to eliminate those no longer functioning and to identify five or six units from which to request self-studies during the fall, 2000, semester. Criteria for these self-studies were discussed, as were the process and potential outcomes of Research and Arts Committee reviews of these self-studies.
   (2) Facilities and Administrative Rates Negotiation. The Research and Arts Committee was asked to encourage the University to begin negotiations with the Federal government for the future Facilities and Administrative rate as soon as possible. The process will take approximately one year and the new agreement has to be in place by June 30, 2001. R. J. Miller sent a memorandum to Greg Royer, Vice President for Business Affairs, stating the committee's support for timely initiation of these negotiations.

5. **Presentations**
   (1) Dennis Garcia, chair of the Human Subjects Institutional Review Board, explained the purpose and composition of the board. He gave a brief overview of the three basic types of review, annual reviews, and modifications. The
types of projects reviewed for human subjects participation, university policy, and the board's strategies in assisting investigators in their quest for approval of their projects also were discussed.

(2) Mark Minton, a 1999 Natural Resource Conservation Endowment Competition awardee, gave an overview of his work during the past year.

6. Actions on Changes to Committee Composition
   (1) The request to change the committee's composition to reflect the fact that the position of Vice Provost for Research no longer also includes the title, "Dean of the Graduate School" was approved by the Faculty Senate on November 18, 1999, as was the request that the Director of the Office of Grant and Research Development be permanently added as an ex-officio member beginning fall semester, 2000.
   (2) Merry Armstrong was selected to act as Vice-Chair.
   (3) R. J. Miller, College of Liberal Arts, was re-elected as chair for 2000-2001.
   (4) Brian McNeill, College of Education, was elected as the committee's representative to the Planning Review Committee for 2000-2001.
   (5) Membership turnover for 2000-2001: Raymond Quock will replace Richard Okita, College of Pharmacy; Michael Kallaher will replace Peter Larson, College of Sciences; and Ken Meyers will replace Inge Eriks, College of Veterinary Medicine.

7. Closing Comments:
   The 1999-2000 academic year was a very productive one for the Research and Arts Committee. The most important accomplishment was the successful and relatively smooth re-initiation of a seed grant program for young faculty. The Committee thanks George Hedge, Vice Provost for Research, for his efforts in obtaining funding for this program and for his ongoing commitment to it. The review and approval of the proposal for the Center for Precision Agricultural Systems, approved by the Faculty Senate on April 13, 2000, must also be considered a major accomplishment, as it was a controversial proposal. The Committee thanks Denny Davis, one of the authors of the proposal, for his cooperation and willingness to compromise on key issues in the process of developing a final form for the proposal. Finally, the Committee as a whole, and its Chair in particular, offer our sincere gratitude to Nancy Shrope for her energy, good sense, and multifaceted assistance in the operation of our Committee. It is difficult to imagine how we would operate without her.

Announcements (Reports).

1. Remarks by the Chair.—F. McSweeney

McSweeney welcomed the new voting members representing branch campuses Leonard Orr, TriCities, David Wang, Spokane and Thomas Tripp, Vancouver. At the last Senate meeting last spring the Senate approved a voting member for each branch campus. The President and Vice President of GPSPA were also approved as voting members of the Senate. McSweeney stated that the officers have been busy meting with the new administration and the Senate also sponsored the all faculty meeting with the new president. McSweeney announced that Parking Services is looking for volunteers to participate in focus groups. This will only take an hour or an hour and a half. If senators are interested they can contact the Senate office. The President is seeking nominations
for a Commission on Campus Climate which will look at campus safety, diversity and racism. He would like approximately 30 members with 15 of those being faculty and staff. If you know of someone you would like to nominate send the nominations to mlang@wsu.edu.

2. Report from Legislative Representatives.—M. Carroll

Carroll stated the administrations is changing the emphasis to quality rather than access when talking with the legislature. The administration is asking for higher faculty salaries and they are asking for 6% first year and 4% for the second year. They will ask for a preservation and enhancement pool for the first year of $1.5 million the first year and $3 million the second year. The administration is also asking for a pool for critical labor market areas of $1 million the first year and $2 million the second year. This will be used for areas such as biotech, information tech and communications. The administration is also asking the legislature for no provisos limiting how salary pools will be distributed among the faculty. There are a number of initiatives the first is one on Instructional Quality and Research it has four elements one in Biotechnology, one in Advanced Technology Initiative, third a High Tech Training Pipeline, and fourth Global Competency. The University is also presenting a high needs opportunities proposal to the legislature that deals with enrollment adjustments. The University will give back money for FTE that did not materialize the first year and propose funding new FTE the second year for high demand areas such as MIS, Electrical Engineering and Computer Science for Pullman, for Spokane small increases of 40 FTE and Nursing 25 FTE. At Vancouver there is no increase the first year and 125 FTE for the second year and no change for the TriCities. Another element in the University budget proposal is the Urban 4H School Partnership Program which will involve largely coop extension and outreach for school activities for urban youth. The fifth element is Instructional Technology Proposal for upgrading computing equipment at the University

Additions or Changes to the Agenda.

There were no additions or changes to the agenda.
The agenda was approved as circulated.

Agenda Items (Action Items).

1. Recommendation from Academic Affairs Committee for a Name Change from Intercollegiate Center for Nursing Education to Intercollegiate College of Nursing

Exhibit D is as follows:

MEMORANDUM
TO: Thomas Brigham, Executive Secretary
    Faculty Senate
FROM: Becky Bitter, Academic Governance Coordinator
FOR: Academic Affairs Committee
DATE: 22 September 2000
SUBJECT: Proposal to Change the Name of the Intercollegiate Center for Nursing Education to the Intercollegiate College of Nursing
At its meeting on 20 September 2000, the Academic Affairs Committee approved a proposal to change the name of the Intercollegiate Center for Nursing Education (ICNE) to the Intercollegiate College of Nursing, to be effective fall 2000.

This name change refers only to the consortium element of ICNE’s identity and is a separate issue from this institution’s identity as the WSU College of Nursing. The rationale for the name change request is specifically one of clarification. A significant number of members of the educational and health care communities (including the CEOs of the major health care systems in Spokane) along with potential students and participating institutions have asked for clarification of ICNE’s identity and a shortened name. After extensive discussion with the nursing faculty and staff, the members of the College’s community advisory committees, the Provosts/Vice Presidents (and Presidents) of the participating institutions, there is now agreement that the name of the consortium should be changed to Intercollegiate College of Nursing. This has also been approved by the participating institutions (Eastern Washington University, Gonzaga University, and Whitworth College).

At this time, Faculty Senate review and approval of the proposal to change the name of the Intercollegiate Center for Nursing Education to the Intercollegiate College of Nursing is recommended.

TO: Tom Brigham  
FROM: Dorothy Deltor, Dean  
DATE: September 6, 2000  
SUBJECT: Name of the Intercollegiate Center for Nursing Education

I am requesting approval by the WSU Faculty Senate of a change in the name of Intercollegiate Center for Nursing Education to the Intercollegiate College of Nursing. This name change refers only to the consortium element of our identity and is a separate issue from this institution’s identity as the WSU College of Nursing. Following is the text of the Modification to the Interinstitutional Agreement of the Intercollegiate Center for Nursing Education which governs the consortium:

**THIS is a MODIFICATION to the AGREEMENT established on April 30, 1998 among EASTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY, Cheney, Washington, acting through its Board of Trustees; GONZAGA UNIVERSITY, Spokane, Washington, acting through its Board of Trustees; WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY, Pullman, Washington, acting through its Board of Regents; and WHITWORTH COLLEGE, Spokane, Washington, acting through its Board of Trustees, and signed by the Presidents of the participating institutions on April 30, 1998. This MODIFICATION is made pursuant to Article VI of the AGREEMENT, and shall be attached to that AGREEMENT.**

The AGREEMENT is modified and clarified as follows: the name of the nursing education consortium, previously known as the Intercollegiate Center for Nursing Education and referred to in the Agreement as the Intercollegiate Center for Nursing Education/Washington State University College of Nursing, will be changed to the Intercollegiate College of Nursing.

This name change will in no way alter the relationship with any of the participating institutions. The Intercollegiate College of Nursing also will continue to be recognized and identified as the Washington State University College of Nursing with all the rights, expectations and obligations inherent in that role and, when appropriate, both names
will be used to identify the College. Within the four consortium institutions – Eastern Washington University, Gonzaga University, Washington State University and Whitworth College, except for the substitution of the name as described in this document, no changes will be made relative to structure and relationship. Efforts will be made within the College, however, to enhance the relationship between the consortium institutions to maintain the integrity of each institution’s programs while decreasing consumer confusion.

As you are aware, the institution which I represent is, in reality, two entities – the Intercollegiate Center for Nursing Education, primarily a Spokane entity, and the Washington State University College of Nursing, based in Spokane but offering degree programs across the State of Washington. Washington State University has always been and will continue to be the fiscal manager for the consortium. And, as the WSU College of Nursing, all policies and procedures governing faculty, staff and students are through WSU.

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Motion carried.

Agenda Items (Discussion Items).

1. Recommendation from Faculty Affairs Committee to remove the date a faculty member must turn in his resignation (Exhibit E).—E. Spangenberg

   Was there ever a penalty associated with turning in a resignation after March 15? Spangenberg said not that the Committee was aware of.

2. Recommendation from Graduate Studies Committee for a Certificate in International Business Economics (Exhibit F).—H. Grimes

   What is a certificate? These are self-contained core knowledge in a specific area. It is not like a minor. It would indicate the person has knowledge or training in a specific area of study. These courses are taught at the graduate level and you need an undergraduate degree to get one. Could someone come back and ask for this certificate be turned into a master degree? No there are not enough credits or work involved to be a masters degree. To get a certificate you need to meet the admission requirements of the Graduate School. What happens if someone enrolled in a certificate program decides they want to get either a masters or a PhD? They would have to apply to the Graduate School and go through the regular admittance for a graduate program. This is part of the University’s continuing education mission. People want certificates, employers value them and as long as we maintain high standards in the courses there is no harm in these.

3 Recommendation from Graduate Studies Committee for dropping the MS in Geological Engineering (Exhibit G).—H. Grimes

   There was no discussion of this item.

4. Recommendation from Academic Affairs Committee for the Western Governors University Transferable AA Degree (Exhibit H).—S. Wherland
Is there reason to believe this equips people with what we expect with the 60 hours required here? The difference between our requiring 60 hours and this providing 44 hours needs to be addressed. People who come in with the AA and 44 credits still have room to take a lab science and more math courses if needed. There is a website that goes into more details if faculty would like to look at it. The site is www.wgu.edu. At this point no one has completed this program. These students will still need an additional 76 credits when they get here to graduate. It needs to state more clearly what exactly the sunset clause states it should said Senate will reevaluate this in 3 years. The WGU pattern of requirements looks like the ICRC block AA agreement we have with state community colleges. We cannot tell people how to design their AA degree. There are a couple of AA’s we accept that do not require a lab science.

A motion was made to state the transfer agreement does not satisfy the lower division lab science requirement.
Motion failed 25 against and 21 for.

Constituents' Concerns.

Russell stated there is concern about EDP using the speakeasy format on the internet with the ability to trace conversations. Some comments made in this format are not appropriate or acceptable. Someone yesterday attempted to post on the speakeasy personal information that would have caused a major problem for the University. Faculty have complained with no results. They are asking that the Senate contact the Attorney General’s office and ask for help.

Liddell raised a concern that faculty are being told they must turn in a consulting form even if they do not consult. Other faculty stated there are other deans making the same request. The Senate officers will discuss this with the Provost.

Adjournment.

Meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Thomas Brigham
Executive Secretary